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By the King,

A PROCLAMATION

For a General FAST.

GEORGE R.

WE taking into our moſt ſerious Conſideration the juſt and neceſſary Wars in which we are engaged with the Crown of Spain and the French King, and putting our Truſt in Almighty God, that He will vouchſafe a ſpecial Bleſſing on our Arms both by Sea and Land, have reſolved, and do, by and with the Advice of our Privy-Council, hereby command, That a Publick Faſt and Humiliation be obſerved throughout that Part of our Kingdom of Great Britain called England, our Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, upon Wedneſday the Seventeenth Day of February next; that ſo both we and our People may humble ourſelves before Almighty God, in order to obtain Pardon for our Sins, and may, in the moſt devout and ſolemn Manner, ſend our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majeſty, for averting thoſe heavy Judgments, which our manifold Sins and Provocations have moſt juſtly deſerved, and imploring His Bleſſing and Aſſiſtance on our Arms, and for reſtoring and perpetuating Peace, Safety and Proſperity to us and our Kingdoms. And we do ſtrictly charge and command, That the ſaid Publick Faſt be reverently and devoutly obſerved by all our loving Subjects in England, our Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, as they tender the Favour of Almighty God, and would avoid His Wrath and Indignation, and upon Pain of ſuch Puniſhment as we may juſtly inflict on all ſuch as contemn and neglect the Performance of ſo religious and neceſſary a Duty. And for the better and more orderly ſolemnizing the ſame, we have given Directions to the Moſt Reverend the Archbiſhops, and the Right Reverend the Biſhops of England, to compoſe a Form of Prayer ſuitable to this Occaſion, to be uſed in all Churches, Chapels, and Places of Publick Worſhip; and to take Care the ſame be timely diſperſed throughout their reſpective Dioceſes.

Given at our Court at St. James's the 23d Day of December, 1747, in the Twenty firſt Year of our Reign.

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Given at our Court at St. James's, the 23d Day of December, 1747. and in the Twenty firſt Year of our Reign.

GOD Save the KING.

Dreſden, Dec. 19. The Reduction of the Saxon Army is now reſolved upon in the following Manner:

The Second Regiment of Guards,
The Regiment of Jaſmont,
Bellegarde,
Allembeck,
} Infantry,

Of Sunderhauſen,
Minkuitz,
Ronoff,
Tallwit,
O'Bern,
} Cavalry,

are all to be broke, and the eight Companies of Grenadiers of the four Regiments of Foot are to be formed into a Regiment for Major General Bellegarde. The reſt of the Men are to ſerve for Recruits to the reſt of the Army; and when all this is done, the Saxon Army will conſiſt of 31300 Men, beſides the 8000 Militia that are all well kept up, and upon a good Footing.

Hague, Jan. 2, *N. S.* An Expreſs arrived here laſt Saturday from Switzerland, with Advice, that the Canton of Bern had conſented to M. Van Haren's Propoſals for raiſing Twelve new Companies of 200 Men each; and that that Miniſter was to ſet our immediately for Zurick. This Day their High Mightineſſes have reſolved a Promotion of General Officers; by which all the Lieutenant Generals are made Generals, and the Major Generals and Brigadiers Lieutenant Generals, the Rank of Brigadier being totally ſuppreſſed. All the Colonels, whoſe Commiſſions are dated in the Year 1745. and the preceding Years, are promoted to the Rank of Major General; and their Commiſſions, with all thoſe that have been given to other General Officers ſince the Prince of Orange's Acceſſion to the Stadtholderſhip, are to bear Date from the 16th of May laſt; excepting M. Burmania, who is now promoted to the Rank of General. Lieutenant General La Rocque, and M. Van Echten, who commanded at Menin, are left out this Promotion; and none of the other Generals, whoſe Conduct is to be enquired into, are to receive their Commiſſions, nor be admitted to take the Oaths, till their paſt Conduct is fully cleared; and the Names of ſuch Generals as are to be examined or called to Account, are marked in the Liſt of Promotions. Count d'Envie is included among the Lieutenant Generals, and Meſſ. Cornabe, Steuart and La Riviere are made Majors General. The States publiſhed laſt Saturday another Placart, whereby the Crews of all French Armed Veſſels, or Letter of Marque Ships, that ſhall be taken fifteen Days after Publication thereof, within the Creeks, Buoys, or at the Mouths of any of the Republick's Rivers, or found any where on Land along the Sea-ſhore, ſhall be puniſhed with Death, unleſs it be evidently made appear, that they were caſt away or driven in by Streſs of Weather, and had ſurrendered themſelves Priſoners, and given up their Arms to the firſt Veſſel they ſaw within the Buoys, or to the firſt Perſons they met on Shore.

Whitehall, December 26.

The King has been pleaſed to grant the Dignity of a Baron of the Kingdom of Great-Britain unto Henry Rolle, of Stevenſtone in the County of Devon, Eſq; by the Name, Stile and Title of Lord Rolle, Baron of Stevenſtone in the County of Devon.

The King has been pleaſed to conſtitute and appoint Richard Haddock, Eſq; Sir Jacob Acworth, Knt. Joſeph Allin, Daniel Devert, William Corbett, Robert Osborn, George Crowle, Edward Falkingham, Alexander Geddes, John Geddes, John Ruſſell, Richard Hughes, Philip Vanbrugh, Charles Brown, William Davies, and John Towry, Eſqrs. to be Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy.

The King has been pleaſed to conſtitute and appoint Richard Hall, James Wallace, Eſqrs. Sir Francis Haskins Eyles Stiles, Bart. the Honourable Horatio Townſhend, Francis Vernon, and William Jenkins, Eſqrs. together with Tyrwhit Cayley, Eſq; to be Commiſſioners for Victualling his Majeſty's Navy.

Chelſea

Chelſea Hoſpital, December 26, 1747.

Theſe are, by Order of the Right Honourable my Lords and others Commiſſioners for the Affairs of the Royal Hoſpital at Chelſea, to give Notice, That all Out Penſioners (as well Lettermen as others) belonging to the ſaid Hoſpital reſiding in London, or within 25 Miles thereof, are required to appear perſonally at the Secretary's Office in the ſaid Hoſpital, and are required alſo to appear Regimentally on the reſpective Days appointed for them as are hereafter mentioned, when Attendance will be given on thoſe Days, from Nine o' Clock in the Morning till Two in the Afternoon, in order to regiſter their Appearances, viz. On Tueſday January 5, 1747, the Penſioners from the 1ſt, 2d, 3d and 4th Troops of Life Guards, and 1ſt and 2d Troops of Horſe Grenadier Guards, Royal Regiment of Horſe Guards, and Honeywood's *late* Pembroke's. *Thurſday January 7,* Mountague's late Evans's, Wade's, Nevil's *late* Napier's, Bowle's *late* Cathcart's, Legonier's, Dragoon Guards, Hawley's late Strafford's, Crawford's *late* Campbell's, Bland's *late* Honeywood's, Rich's late Evans's, Moleſworth's formerly Roſs's, Rothe's late Cadogan's, Cope's *late* Kerr's, St. George's *late* Pepper's, Cobham's *late* Churchill's, Lord Mark Kerr's, Naizon's *late* Gardner's, Hamilton's *late* Nevil's, Duke of Cumberland's, Foiſac's, Lepell's, Lebouchetier's, Stanhope's, Withers's. *Tueſday January 12, the Firſt Regiment of Foot Guards. Thurſday January 14, the Second Regiment of Foot Guards. Tueſday January 19, the Third Regiment of Foot Guards. Thurſday January 21,* St. Clare's, Fowke's *late* Kirk's, *General* Tho. Howard's, Barrell's, Irwin's, *late* Cope's, Guize's, late Southwell's, Hargrave's *late* Tyrawley's, Wolf's *late* Onſlow's, Read's late Hargrave's, Columbine's *late* Grove's, Graham's *formerly* Cornwallis's, Skelton's late Durour's, Pulteney's, Price's *late* Clayton's, Harriſon's late Hertford's, Handaſyd's. *Tueſday January 26,* Wynyard's *late* Tyrrell's, Mordaunt's late Armſtrong's, *General* Cha. Howard's, Sackvill's late Bligh's, formerly Egerton's, Scotch Fuſileers, Houghton's late Wentworth's, Offarell's, Welſh Fuſileers, Semple's late Rothe's, Anſtruther's, *Thurſday January 28,* Blakeney's, Bragg's, Fuller's, Frampton's, Beauclerk's late Wm. Handaſyd's, Douglas's late Skelton's, Johnſton's, Cholmondley's late Cavendiſh's, Otway's, Fleming's, Dejean's *formerly* Ponſonby's, Dalzell's, Richbell's, Phillips's, Bowles's, Butler's, Corbett's, Clayton's late Honeywood's, Churchill's late Brudnel's, Dormer's, Dubourgay's, Douglaſs's, Elliott's, Evans's Foot. *Tueſday February 2,* Frank's, Grant's, Hotham's, *Iriſh Eſtabliſhment.* Kane's, Kerr's, Leigh's, Moleſworth's, Montandre's, Munden's, Montague's, Naſſau's, Pocock's, Price's, Rich's, Rantzau's, Stanhope's, Stanwix's, Windſor's Foot, Windreſs's, Wynn's, Scotch Hollanders, Newton's *late* Cobham's, Gooch's, Ogelthorpe's, Lord John Murray's Highlanders, Marine Regiments, Kennedy's, Lee's, Murray's, Laſcell's, Conway's, Battereau's, Trelawney's, Lord Loudon's, Independent Companies, Houſe, Bettſworth's Company, Briſtow's Company, Carwarden's Company, Churchill's Company, Mowatt's Company, Winſley's Company. *Thurſday February 4, The* Letter Men and Men at Nine Pence per Day.

And that all Out Penſioners as are at a greater Diſtance than 25 Miles, are required to apply themſelves forthwith to one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace in the Neighbourhood where they reſide, and make Oath that they are Out-Penſioners belonging to the ſaid Hoſpital, mentioning in their Certificates the Regiment to which they formerly did belong, how long they ſerved in the Army, their Age, in what Manner wounded or diſabled, their preſent Place of Abode, and that they are no otherwiſe provided for by the Government, to the Intent that the Commiſſioners for the Affairs of the ſaid Hoſpital may be ſatisfied that they are the ſame Perſons that have paſſed their Examination. 'Tis alſo required, that the ſaid Certificates be ſent by the General Poſt only, directed To the Right Hon. William Pitt, Eſq; Pay Maſter General of his Majeſty's Land Forces, at the Horſe Guards, London. *And 'tis hereby further notified, that no one will be entered on the Pay Book of the ſaid Hoſpital, or be thought entituled to the ſaid Penſion, that ſhall neglect making their Appearance, or ſending Certificates, as before directed.*

Pereg. Furye, *Secretary.*

This is to give Notice, that the next General Meeting of the Corporation of the Governors and Guardians of the Hoſpital for the Maintenance and Education of Expoſed and Deſerted Young Children, appointed by His Majeſty's Royal Charter, will be held on Wedneſday the 30th of December 1747, *being the firſt Wedneſday after Chriſtmas, at the ſaid Hoſpital in Lamb's Conduit Fields, at Twelve at Noon, when all the Governors and Guardians are deſired to be preſent: Of which Meeting this Notice is given, purſuant to the Directions of the Act of Parliament.*

Harman Vereliſt, *Secretary.*

Navy-Office, Dec. 24, 1747.

The principal Officers and Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy hereby give Notice, that there is in the Hands of the Treaſurer of the Navy, Money to pay Navy and Tranſport Bills, as well Intereſt as Non-Intereſt, regiſtred on the Courſe in the Months of July, Auguſt and September 1746. *with the Intereſt due on ſuch as carry the ſame, in Order that ſuch Perſons as are poſſeſſed of the ſaid Bills may bring them to this Office to be aſſigned for Payment accordingly.*

Victualling-Office, Dec. 23, 1747.

The Commiſſioners for Victualling his Majeſty's Navy hereby give Notice, that there is in the Hands of the Treaſurer of the Navy, Money to pay Intereſt and Non-Intereſt Bills regiſtred in the Courſe of the Victualling for the Months of July, Auguſt and September 1746, *with the Intereſt due on ſuch as carry the ſame, in Order that ſuch Perſons as are poſſeſſed of the ſaid Bills may bring them to this Office to be aſſigned for Payment accordingly.*

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Companies of the Ships undermentioned, that their reſpective Shares of the following Prizes will be paid on board them at Plymouth, at the Times expreſſed againſt their Names, viz.

Edinburgh, for the Two Crowns and Baſque Privateers on Thurſday the 31ſt of December, 1747.

Glouceſter, for the Two Crowns, on Monday the 4th of January, 1747.

N. B. The Recalls will be the firſt Thurſday in the Month, at the Fountain Tavern at Plymouth.

Adver-